BATTERSEA AGAINST BIOFUELS

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PLANNED PALM OIL POWER PLANT FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT WILL POLLUTE YOU!

PUBLIC MEETING

SHARE INFORMATION AND BUILD THE CAMPAIGN

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY, 7:30PM

BREAD AND ROSES PUB, 68 CLAPHAM MANOR STREET, SW4 6DZ

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Palm Oil burnt at Battersea Power Station will damage the climate, destroy forests, biodiversity and habitats (including the Orang utans), cause human rights abuses and POLLUTE YOU.

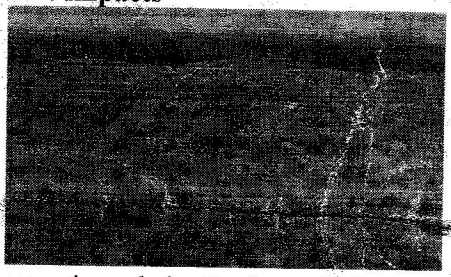
Join our campaign to stop these plans.

The plans

There is 'outline planning permission' i.e. an agreement in principle, to a so called 'low carbon bio-oil Combined Cooling Heat and Power plant to light and heat the proposed development at Battersea Power Station. This would be the first of its kind in the UK.

Sime Darby who own 40% of the BPS are one of the worlds largest and most notorious producers of palm oil. For them it would be a pioneering new market for their main product. It would encourage other developers to use biofuels. They will very likely apply for full planning permission later this year.

The impacts



Scientific evidence shows that burning bio-liquid fuel, especially palm oil, generally releases more green-house gases than burning fossil fuels. Palm oil plantations have been the main cause of permanent rainforest loss in both Indonesia and Malaysia. Sime Darby has recently expanded into Liberia, West Africa where it has taken land without consulting the local people.

These biofuels, self certified as 'sustainable' and classed as low carbon by dodgy carbon accounting methods, attract large subsidies from the UK government

Prof John Beddington, until very recently the government's Chief Scientific Advisor, said, *"Cutting down rainforest to produce biofuel crops is profoundly stupid."*

Pollution

Effectively the CCHP plant is 7 large diesel engines providing electricity and heat to the new development. Bio-oil burnt in them will produce significant quantities of Nitrous Oxides as well as small particulates PM10s, PM2.5s and nanoparticles. These emissions are far higher than those from burning gas and are like putting thousands more cars onto the streets of Battersea. They all cause respiratory and heart disease among other conditions. The World Health Organisation states there is no safe level for the smallest particulates. Wandsworth and Westminster, where some of the pollution would end up, have both been declared Air Quality Management Areas due to very high levels of pollution. Early death from air pollution already exceeds that of obesity and alcohol.

The campaign

A strong local campaign is urgently needed to prevent this Biofuel Power Plant in Battersea. We must oppose these false solutions to climate change. A biofuel plant in Ealing was refused planning permission on appeal by the planning inspectorate and the secretary of state because of the air quality impacts. This decision followed a passionate local campaign that really educated local councillors about the issues.

To help build a campaign against a biofuel plant in Battersea, please email biofuelwatch@ymail.com or phone Duncan Law, 07958 635181. For more information visit:

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